FISCAL NOTE

HB 198 - SB 1594

February 24, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits smoking in all enclosed areas of public places and all rest rooms made available to the public, except in the following: an enclosed area of a public place whenever the facility containing the enclosed area of the public place is not open to the public; a theater, or lecture or recital hall if the only person smoking is a performer as part of their performance; anywhere smoking is undertaken as part of religious ceremony or cultural activity; taverns and lounges; hotel and motel rooms that are not designated as non-smoking rooms; private residences; a tobacco shop under 2,000 square feet; and privately chartered buses. Requires "smoking" and "non-smoking" signs to be placed in the appropriate areas of any buildings that are open to the public.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Exceeds \$100,000 Increase State Revenues – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- Additional signage in all state buildings to designate "smoking" and "non-smoking" areas.
- Any violation is subject to a civil penalty of not more than \$1,000. Collections of fines will not significantly increase revenues.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director